

Virginia Green Lodging Profile:



The Huffman House at Creekside Farm Bed and Breakfast



Newport, Virginia

Virginia Green Lodging is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. *Green Lodging* encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. *Green Lodging* is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.

Huffman House at Creekside Farm

The Huffman House at Creekside Farm includes three restored, historic buildings and is situated on 61 acres of streams, ponds and pasture just minutes from downtown Blacksburg. The Huffman House Bed and Breakfast features four guest rooms. The Huffman House is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.

Green Lodging Activities. When visiting The Huffman House, you can expect the following practices:

- (\$) Optional Linen Service
- **Recycling**
- **(\$)** Water Conservation
- **(\$)** Energy Conservation
- (\$) Green Events Package



Optional Linen Service

- Train house cleaners on process of optional linen service
- Purchase water-efficient washers and dryers
- Use non-phosphate, non-toxic, biodegradable laundry detergents
- Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals

Recycling

 Recycle plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, packing supplies, fluorescent lamps, batteries and electronics equipment.

Waste Reduction

- Fill reusable shampoo bottles
- Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items
- Eliminate use of Styrofoam
- Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar in bulk

- Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
- Implement effective food inventory system to minimize waste
- Purchase locally grown produce and other foods
- Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture
- Use latex paint
- Recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents properly
- Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing and vehicles
- Effective inventory system and labeling of last-in/first-out
- Use least toxic materials
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides

Water Conservation

- Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
- High efficiency dishwashers
- Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
- Low flow toilets
- Minimization of impervious areas
- Vegetative buffers around streams and ponds

Energy Conservation

- Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in rooms
- Have High Efficiency Heating & Air Conditioning and use ceiling fans
- Use natural lighting whenever possible
- Purchase EnergyStar computers and appliances
- Thermal rated windows and insulation
- Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways
- Heat rooms and water with outdoor woodstove

For more information on **The Huffman House**, see www.thehuffmanhousebandb.com.

For more information on *Virginia Green Lodging* program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging.



Virginia Green Lodging program is a supporting partner of *Virginia Green*, the Commonwealth's campaign to encourage environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. Virginia Green is supported through a partnership between the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association, and the Virginia Tourism Corporation. For more information on Virginia Green, go to www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen







